

News From The Board of Medical Examiners

October 2016

ACTIONS FROM THE BOARD'S SEPTEMBER 16, 2016 MEETING:

> The Board's Adjudication Panel approved two stipulations and tabled a third at its September 16 meeting.

To receive Board Action Reporting Forms of disciplinary actions by the Medical Board, contact the BSD Compliance Unit at <u>dlibsdcomplaints@mt.gov</u>

- ➤ The Board reviewed 3 new applications for licensure and made the following decisions:
 - Granted license—2 Physicians
 - Tabled—1 Physician

The Board also extended the expiration date of another "tabled" application to allow more time for Board requirements to be fulfilled.

- ➤ The Board supported the creation of an "unlocked and fillable" .pdf version of the POLST form.
- The Board's new rules package will be available for public comment soon. Among other things, it proposes to place the responsibility for intern and resident practice (including "moonlighting" by residents) on the educational program and reduces the amount of required chart review of Physician Assistants by supervising Physicians. Check the Board's website in the "Regulations" tab for more information.

OTHER BOARD-RELATED NEWS:

- Tammy Scott, PA-C has been appointed to the Board as its Physician Assistant member. Ms. Scott lives in Missoula and succeeds Dwight Thompson, PA-C, who served on the Board from 2003-2016.
- ➤ The Interstate Medical Licensure Compact Commission will meet next on Nov. 7 and Dec. 14, 2016 by teleconference. Notices for IMLCC meetings can be found on the Board's website.

BOARD STATISTICS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017 (July-August):

License Type	Applications Received	Licenses Issued*
Acupuncturist	6	9
ECP (All Levels)	156	146
Nutritionist	10	7
Physician	92	101
Physician Assistan	t 19	10
Podiatrist	0	1
Resident Physician	n 6	28

^{*}Not necessarily from applications received during same time period.

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The Board's next meeting will be Friday, November 4, 2016 at 301 S. Park Ave. in Helena. Information and agendas for Board meetings (inc. committee meetings) are at: www.medicalboard.mt.gov